

To: Ferrell, Mark[Ferrell.Mark@epa.gov]
From: Barnard, Brian
Sent: Mon 4/3/2017 1:18:37 PM
Subject: RE: Rep. Jenkins: King Coal Highway - Buffalo Mountain

Hey Mark,

We have confirmed the Buffalo Mountain meeting will take place from 1-3 pm on April 25th.
We've reserved room B-208 Longworth.

Best,

Brian

From: Ferrell, Mark [mailto:Ferrell.Mark@epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, March 29, 2017 9:38 AM
To: Barnard, Brian <Brian.Barnard@mail.house.gov>
Subject: Re: Rep. Jenkins: King Coal Highway - Buffalo Mountain

Sounds good, Brian / let me know if I can help in any way.

Mark

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 29, 2017, at 9:33 AM, Barnard, Brian <Brian.Barnard@mail.house.gov> wrote:

Hey Mark,

Great to hear from you. I got a call from EPA's DC office on Monday and I think are making progress with the meeting. It should be a great opportunity to collaboratively discuss the project status and what it means for the King Coal Highway. We are looking forward to it. As soon as I get more details on the logistics, I will be sure to circle back with you.

As of right now, we are pretty sure it will be April 25th from 1 to 3 pm. We are in the process of reserving a room large enough to host everyone here on Capitol Hill.

Best,

Brian

From: Ferrell, Mark [<mailto:Ferrell.Mark@epa.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, March 28, 2017 12:44 PM
To: Barnard, Brian <Brian.Barnard@mail.house.gov>
Subject: Fw: Rep. Jenkins: King Coal Highway - Buffalo Mountain

Hi Brian

Just checking in to see what the status is on this invitation and meeting from your end. Are you getting the responses you need?

~Mark

Mark Ferrell

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From: Barnard, Brian [<mailto:Brian.Barnard@mail.house.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, March 23, 2017 5:39 PM
To: Haman, Patricia <Haman.Patricia@epa.gov>
Cc: Neal, Rebecca <Rebecca.Neal@mail.house.gov>
Subject: RE: King Coal Highway - Buffalo Mountain

Patricia,

The Congressman asked that we send the EPA a formal invitation for this meeting. I wanted to send you this electronic copy before we send the original in the mail. Thank you for your help and assistance.

Best,

Brian

From: Barnard, Brian
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2017 3:22 PM
To: 'haman.patricia@epa.gov' <haman.patricia@epa.gov>
Cc: Neal, Rebecca <Rebecca.Neal@mail.house.gov>
Subject: King Coal Highway - Buffalo Mountain

Patricia,

Thank you again for taking my call. Here is the link to the EPA EIS (looking at it now, it was for a CWA 404 permit) <https://cdxnodengn.epa.gov/cdx-enepa-ll/public/action/eis/details?eisId=88085>

Additionally, here are a couple of articles from a few years ago describing the Buffalo

Mountain mine situation: <http://www.wvgazettemail.com/News/201306240033> and http://www.register-herald.com/news/state_and_region/epa-criticizes-plan-for-king-coal-project/article_7080ec02-c3e2-5aab-953f-66b6d399f4cf.html

As I mentioned, the Congressman would like to host representatives from the EPA, the Army Corps of Engineers, and FHWA to discuss the project and its status on April 25th on Capitol Hill. The development of this mine – and thus, the development of land for the King Coal Highway – is vital to the economic development of southern West Virginia. The highway will connect rural and remote parts of the state, opening them up to new development opportunities.

Per your recommendation, Rep. Jenkins would likely seek to bring stakeholders from WV, including the state DOT, in order to have a constructive dialogue between state and federal partners. We would be happy to follow up with a formal invitation as well.

Thank you for your time and assistance.

Best,

Brian

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<Buffalo Mine Meeting Invitation Letter - EPA.pdf>